

# News from Idaho

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*Idaho Board of Nursing—PO Box 83720—Boise, Idaho 83720-0061*

## Board of Nursing Meetings

The members of the Board of Nursing meet on a quarterly basis with the next meeting scheduled for November 2-3, 2006, in Boise, Idaho. This meeting will be held at the Doubletree Club 475 W. Parkcenter Blvd, Boise. Persons interested in attending this meeting and/or who require special accommodations, should contact the Board office at (208) 334-3110, ext. 25. All meetings of the Board, except for executive sessions, are open to the public.

During each meeting, the Board holds an open forum for approximately one hour. Individuals are invited to express their concerns or make inquiries of the Board during this time period. No appointment is necessary to make a presentation during the forum; however, interested persons should contact the Board office to confirm the time of the forum and to make arrangements for special assistance. Action will not be taken on issues presented during the forum. If there are no presentations during the forum, the Board will proceed with the conduct of regular business.

## Board of Nursing Members

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*Analyn Frasier, LPN*

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*Jill Howell, RN*

*Jerome*

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*Meridian*

## LPN Renewal of Licenses

The renewal period for licensed practical (LPN) nurses was completed August 31, 2006. with 3,244 LPN's renewing their licenses. Late renewals will continue to be processed as received. White 'verification of licensure' cards enable employers to verify current licensure during the time period that a renewal is being processed. Employers are also encouraged to personally view the renewed license, utilize the Board's Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System (call (208) 334-3110 – option 1, 1), or the Board's Web-site ([www2.idaho.gov/ibn](http://www2.idaho.gov/ibn)—Search Licensee Database). to verify current licensure. A faxed verification is available through the IVR or a printed verification is available from the web site.

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## BOARD and STAFF MEMBERS

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## Meeting Dates

November 2-3, 2006

*Deadline: 10/2/06*

February 1-2, 2007

*Deadline: 1/2/07*

May 3-4, 2007

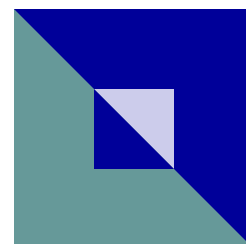
*Deadline: 4/3/07*

July 26-27, 2007

*Deadline: 6/26/07*

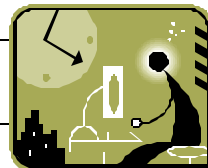
October 25-26, 2006

*Deadline: 9/25/07*



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Each year a large number of renewal applications are returned to the Board office by the Post Office because of a change in address. The fact that the post office provides its customers with limited forwarding does not relieve the licensee of the responsibility of keeping the Board notified of changes in address. Additionally, Rule 23.01.01.008.01 and .02 requires that licensees must immediately notify the Board of changes in name and address. Licensees who fail to timely renew their licenses will be assessed a late fee. Additionally, licensees who continue to practice nursing in Idaho without current licensure, may be assessed an administrative fine of up to \$100 for each separate offense not to exceed \$1000.00.



## Confirm Employee Licensees...use the Board's IVR or Web Site

**The IVR CANNOT verify temporary licenses for RNs, LPNs, or Advanced Practice Professional Nurses (CNM, CNS, NP or RNA), or licenses for APPNs. You can check these individuals by dialing '0' or extension 21. License verification for APPNs is available on the web site.**

Verifying a license has never been so easy—just telephone the Board's Interactive Voice Response System (334-3110—option 1, 1), enter the social security number or license number of the nurse and receive information regarding the licensure status of an employee. You can request a fax back from this system that will validate the nurse's name, license number and expiration date. You can also check licenses through the Board's Web Site—[www2.idaho.gov/ibn](http://www2.idaho.gov/ibn)—link to Search Licensee Database and enter the nurse's name. You can print a verification of the license information for your records.

## NCLEX® EXAMINATION ITEM DEVELOPMENT

NCSBN depends on practicing nurses to assist in the NCLEX® item development process. Panel members travel to Chicago (all expenses paid) to write or review test items for the NCLEX® examination. On site training is provided. As an NCLEX® panel member you not only have the opportunity to earn contact hours, but also to network with your nursing colleagues on a national level.

To qualify, you must be a registered nurse (RN) or a licensed practical/vocational nurse (LPN/VN) in the jurisdiction where you practice. Specific requirements for the volunteer panels also include:

- ✍ Item Writers must be an RN or LPN/VN for the NCLEX-PN® exam and a RN with a masters degree or higher for the NCLEX-RN® exam; and be responsible for teaching basic/undergraduate students in the clinical area.
- ✍ Item Reviewers must be an RN or LPN/VN for the NCLEX-PN® exam and a RN for the NCLEX-RN® exam; and currently employed in a clinical setting, working directly with nurses who have entered practice within the last 12 months.



Panels are held throughout the year. This is your opportunity to contribute to the continued excellence of the nursing profession. You can apply today online at [www.ncsbn.org](http://www.ncsbn.org).—at the homepage in the far left column under Testing Services Announcements you will see the link for the Item Development On-Line Application.

## Rule Changes include Increased Renewal Fees

On March 30, 2006, by Senate Concurrent Resolution, the Legislature approved the pending rules of the Board of Nursing. These rules increased licensure renewal fees, as well as other licensure fees. The Board elected to implement the increased renewal fees on July 1, 2006; however, since LPN renewal applications and licenses were printed with the fees prior to legislative approval of the rules, the LPN renewal fee will not be increased until January 1, 2007.



## Duplicate Licenses Issued

The following persons were issued duplicate licensure certificates during the period April 1 2006 – August 31, 2006:

Original certificates were reported as lost, stolen, never received in the mail or were re-issued because of a name change. Duplicates are identical to original certificates with the exception of the word "DUPLICATE" printed on the license. Please notify the Board of Nursing immediately should anyone present one of these certificates without the word "DUPLICATE" printed on the document.

Professional Nurse (RN) Licenses—expires 8/31/2007			
Kristie L Schumacher	N-30895	Marguerite Nelson	N-20857
Christopher D. Jenkins	N-30525	Jo Ellen Nuckles	N-12475
Jayne E. Elgee	N-14128	Lorie M. Taylor	N-20834
Susan M. Frankenberg	N-29333	Rosalyn Kirkman	N-33522
Melanie Ahrens	N-24743	Shawn Wright	N-33278/RNA-593
Sandra Sheryl Thomas	N-22356	Shannan Cline	N-33277/RNA-596
Kristi I. Palmer	N-33606	Krystal Robinson	N-34523
Nicole L. Rader	N-33351	Diana Wilhelm -Schmidt	N-29102
Victoria L. Blair	N-21972	C.J. Wilkinson	N-33164
Susan Seidenberg	N-29139	Aimee B. Woycenko	N-30980
Katherine L. Howard	N-28985	Tammy L. Knorr	N-35176
Marjorie A. Brim	N-24663	Nancy L. Kunau	N-17728
Christine Joyce Pirwitz	N-34875/RNA-626	Paige Garrison	N-34640
Leigh Pearl Ness	N-34437	Roxanne R. Ohlund	N-31806
Marciavee Cossette	N-30938	John P. Keenan	N-34469
Ellen L. Lingelbach	N-33708	Ashley Gower	N-35337
Christopher James Allen	N-24972	Molly Babendure	N-34607
Marcia Jensen	N-21442	Judith Anderson	N-13255
Bryan L. Taylor	N-34592	Susan B. Wendland	N-20986
Korene L Choate	N-27612	Tammi Hardiman	N-27484
Brittany Murray	N-34593	Kristina L Olsen	N-25919
Michelle S Hayden	N-34376	Cherese Severson	N-23142/NP-439A
Tara Lynne Bewley	N-32379	Kay Powell	N-18821/NP-343A
Christine O'Karma	N-14957	Camie Tripp	N-27335
Sherry Kammers	N-20043	Danell Bickford	N-33057
Sally McNees	N-35197	Lisa Rammell	N-24701
Janice Reich	N-23786	Rosann Mosier	N-15655
Sherri R. Valentine	N-24543		
Advanced Practice Professional Nurses—Expires 8/31/2007			
Vickie Bolton	NP-597A	Jami Stroud	NP-336A
Licensed Practical Nurses—Expires 8/31/06			
Peggy Dunow	PN-4115	Brenda Fries	PN-11331
Linda Moshberger	PN-2538	Connie Graff	PN-8846

## Action of the Board

At their meetings on April 27-28, 2006 and July 27-28, 2006,

The Board:

- ✍ Elected the following officers:  
 Susan Odom, PhD, RN, Chairman                      Ridon Jones, LPN, Governance Committee Member at Large  
 Randall Hudspeth, NP, CNS, RN, Vice-Chair      Jill Howell, RN, PRN Advisory Committee Chairman
- ✍ Issued continuing approval of the NCLEX-RN/PN Examinations as a requirement for licensure in Idaho
- ✍ Issued continuing program approval to the following nursing programs until December 30, 2006, pending completion of survey visits: Idaho State University, PN, Pocatello; College of Southern Idaho, PN, Twin Falls; Boise State University, PN, Boise.
- ✍ Approved the Board's Strategic Plan for 2006-2010.
- ✍ Granted program approvals for the period ending 9/1/07 to nursing assistant training programs administered by:
 

Boise State University, Boise	College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls
Eastern Idaho Technical College, Idaho Falls	Idaho State University, Pocatello
Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston	Secondary programs administered under the
North Idaho College, Coeur d'Alene	authority of the ID Division of Prof - Technical Education
- ✍ Adopted the "Guidelines" - Important Information for Participants, Program for Recovering Nurses
- ✍ Approved the proposed curriculum change for the nursing program at Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa
- ✍ Granted full approval to the Idaho State University, Associate Degree Professional Nursing Program, Pocatello for the period ending June 30, 2014.

## Disciplinary Action Taken by the Board



### **Board Meeting—April 27-28, 2006**

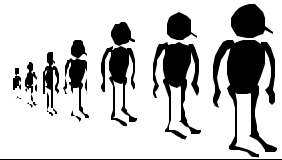
Kathy Browning, RN—License reinstatement denied	Valerie Clements, RN—License Revoked
Stephanie Culp, RN—License Reinstated w/conditions	Patricia Elkin, RN Applicant—Affirmed previous action
Nanette Hiller, RN—Ind Susp/Stayed, Restricted License	Avis Sabrina Kinzer, RN—License Revoked
Carolyn Jackson, RN—License Revoked	Monica Nilsson, RN—License Revoked
Julia O'Brien, RN—License Revoked	Hwan Park, RN—Stip Agreement/Susp/Stay
Linda Pierson, RN—License Revoked	Barbara Sant, PN— Lim Lic W/Drawn, Revoked
Shannon Stephens, RN Applicant—Withdrew	Patrick Walsh, RN—License Revoked
Previous Order, Issued Limited License	Kathy Wheeler, PN—License Revoked

### **Board Meeting—July 27-28, 2006**

Kathleen Cutright, RN—License Revoked	Toni Faurote, PN—License Revoked
Stacie Hardin, PN—License Revoked	Sharon Kilburn, PN—Indefinite Suspension
Karen Leavitt, RN—License Revoked	Dean Merritt, RN—Indefinite Suspension
Emily Patterson, RN—Probation	Carolyn Jackson, RN—Order Withdrawn
	License Reinstated



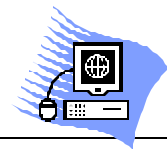
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